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SUBJECT: NOON PRESS BRIEFING STATEMENT AUG. 13.1. DEPARTMENT'S PRESS SPOKESMAN MADE FOLLOWING STATE-
MENT AT NOON PRESS BRIEFING: BEGIN TEXT2. THE UNITED STATES HAS BEEN PLAYING AN ACTIVE ROLE IN
THE NEGOTIATIONS. THE PRESIDENT AND THE SECRETARY HAVE
BEEN IN DAILY TOUCH ABOUT THEM. THE SECRETARY HAS BEEN
IN FREQUENT CONTACT WITH PRIME MINISTER ECEVIT, INCLUDING
FOUR TIMES BY TELEPHONE DURING THE PAST TWENTY FOUR HOURS,
AND WITH FOREIGN SECRETARY CALLAGHAN BY TELEPHONE AND
PRIME MINISTER KARAMANLIS BY LETTER AND WITH CYPRIOT
LEADERS.

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3. THE UNITED STATES POSITION IS AS FOLLOWS:

(A) WE RECOGNIZE THE POSITION OF THE TURKISH COMMUN-
ITY ON CYPRUS REQUIRES CONSIDERABLE IMPROVEMENT AND
PROTECTION.(B) WE HAVE SUPPORTED A GREATER DEGREE OF AUTONOMY
FOR THEM.(C) THE PARTIES ARE NEGOTIATING ON ONE OR MORE
TURKISH AUTONOMOUS AREAS.4. THE AVENUES OF DIPLOMACY HAVE NOT BEEN EXHAUSTED AND
THEREFORE THE U.S. WOULD CONSIDER A RESORT TO MILITARY
ACTION UNJUSTIFIED. WE HAVE MADE THIS CLEAR TO ALL
PARTIES. END TEXT.
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